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SUBJECT: SECRETARY'S VISIT : MEETING BETWEEN WINSTON LORD
AND INDIAN POLICY PLANNING DIRECTOR

1. FOREIGN MINISTRY'S ADDITIONAL SECRETARY RESPONSIBLE
FOR POLICY PLANNING, J.S. MEHTA, HAS ASKED EMBASSY
WHETHER WINSTON LORD WOULD BE INTERESTED IN CASUAL,
GENERAL DISCUSSION WITHOUT AGENDA AT SOME POINT DURING
THE VISIT AT LORD'S CONVENIENCE, IN MEHTA'S OFFICE IN MEA
(SOURT BLOCK). WE SAID WE WOULD CHECK. MEETING CAN PROBABLY
BE SET UP ON FAIRLY SHORT NOTICE.

2. JAGAT MEHTA, 52 IS EXTREMELY CAPABLE, FRIENDLY TO
AMERICANS , MOST RECENTLY INDIAN HIGH COMMISSIONER
TO TANZANIA, AND THE ORIGINAL ORGANIZER IN THE 1960S OF
THE INDIAN POLICY PLANNING STAFF. HE WORKED ON CHINESE
AFFAIRS FROM 1956-61 AND WAS THE PRINCIPAL INDIAN
NEGOTIATOR IN THE SINO-INDIAN BORDER TALKS IN 1960 AND
DIRECTOR OF CHINESE AFFAIRS. AFTER A TWO-YEAR ASSIGNMENT IN
BONN, HE BECAME INDIAN CHARGE D'AFFAIRS IN PEKING FROM
1964-66, AND THEN JOINT SECRETARY (I.E., ASSISTANT
SECRETARY) FOR POLICY PLANNING FROM 1966-69. HE ATTENDED
THE HARVARD INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS SEMINAR IN 1969-70
AND HAS MET THE SECRETARY ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS. HE WILL BE
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